Interest in Great Presbyterian Meeting Increases.

A DAY OF PRACTICAL WORK

The Assembly Declines to Take Any Step Looking to Limited Pastoral Relations-Ministers Assigned to Preach To-Day.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LEXINGTON, VA., May 23.—Interes in the sessions of the General Assembly of the Southern Presbyterian Church Increases each day, and to-day, the third day of the meeting, was devoted most ly to committee work. The sessions are well attended, not only by the commis sioners, but also by residents of the com-munity and many visitors, who are here for the meetings especially.

A communication was read before the Assembly from the American Sabbath Union, Dr. Israel W. Hathaway, of New York, secretary, asking the Assembly to consider the proposition of co-operat-ing with them in the use of their lite-rature and especially weight the going with them in the use of their literature, and especially urging the appointment of delegates to the convention of the Union on Sabbath rest, to be held in St. Louis, Mo., in October, 1904. The matter was referred to the Committee on the Sabbath.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

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A communication from the Presbyterian Historical Society of Palladelphia announced that the American Historical Society would celebrate their
fiftieth anniversary soon, and suggested
the gathering together of pletures, literature, relics, etc., to be contributed for
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Dr. Alfred Smith is secretary of the

od to the Committee on Foreign Corbondence.

Ictier was read from the American is Saloon League asking the co-opeon of the Assembly in this work and lesting the election of delegates to eighth annual meeting of the league, so held in Washington, D. C., in Deber next. The letter was referred a committee composed of Dr. J. R. Am., of Winchester, Va.; Dr. R. A. B., am., of Winchester, Va.; Dr. R. A. B., am., of Winchester, Va.; Dr. R. A. B., am., of Nottoway county, Va., instructions to prepare an answer he communication, which will be altited to the Assembly.

NO PASTORAL REPORTS. of Committee of Bills and Overtures, W. T. Hall chairman, on the overaform the Synod of Missouri and Presbytery of Missouri, in regard to do pastorates and stated supplies, ted as follows:

That the Assembly declines to take the pastorate relation for a definite the pastorate relation for a definite of that the Assembly sees no neces.

chapter V, section 4, sub-section 6, already provides that the Preshytery shall take special oversight of vacant churches and order what pertains to their spirit. By a vote of the Assembly, Professor D. C. Gage, of Wostminster College, Fulton, Mo., appeared before the body and addressed them in favor of taking action favorable to the overture of the Synod of Missouri.

Synod of Missouri. SUNDAY SERMONS. Thornton Whaling, chairman of ommittee of Devotional Exercises, need the assignments for services various churches Sunday as fol-

lows;
Lexington Presbyterian Church, 11 A.
M., by the moderator, Rev. Dr. Abner C.
Hopkins, of Charlestown, W. Va.; at 4
P. M., mass-meeling on Sabbath ob-servance, address by Rev. Dr. Wilbur F.
Crafts, of Washington, D. C.; 8:39 P. M.,

Jacobs & Levy Monday Specials

Wash Suits, for children 3 to 8 years old, that sold up to \$1.00, solid colors, stripes and checks, 49c

Boys' Spring and Summer Double-Breasted Knee Pants Suits, that sold up to \$3.00... \$1.48

Blouse, Norfolk and Double-Breasted Knee Pants Suits, for boys 4 to 16 years, \$2.98 that sold up to \$4.50.....

Boys' Straw Hats, 15c.

Boys' Knee Pants, that sold up to 75c, Monday, 39c. AN AIR SHIP GOES WITH EVERY SUIT.

Howard Hats. Manhattan Shirts, Crossett Shoes.

705 East Broad Street.

Proper Shape Straw Hats-Howard Block, \$1 to \$8. Panamas Here, to Our \$12.50 Men's Special Suit is the talk of the town.

Rev. Dr. R. A. Webb, of Clarksville, Tenn.

Grace R. E. Lee Memorial Episcopal Church, Lexington, Rev. Dr. J. T. Plunkett, of Augusta, Gai, 8:39 P. M., Rev. Dr. M. H. Marquess, of St. Louis, Mo. Trinity Methodist Church, Lexington, 11 A. M., Rev. Dr. J. E. Thacker, Norfolk, Va.; 8:30 P. M., Rev. Dr. C. R. Hyde, Port Worth, Tex.

Lexington Baptist Church, 11 A. M., Rev. John S. Fore, Sherman, Tex.; 8:30 P. M., Rev. Dr. D. A. Planck, of Mobile, More Too natives having been added to the church. Grace R. E. Lee Memorial Episcopal Church, Lexington, Rev. Dr. J. T. Plunk-ett, of Augusta, Ga.; 8:39 P. M., Rev. Dr. W. H. Marquess, of St. Louis, Mo. Trinity Methodist Church, Lexington, 11 A. M., Rev. Dr. J. E. Thaoker, Norfolk, Va.; 8:30 P. M., Rev. Dr. C. R. Hyde, Fort Worth, Tex.

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After adjournment at the morning ses-sion, the Assembly listened to a ser-mon by the Rev. W. J. Caldwell, of Honey Grove, Tex.

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To-night at 8:30 o'clock, a popular meeting was held in the interest of the Amorican Seaman's Society, with an address by the secretary, Rev. Dr. W. C. Stitt, of New York, and the American Tract Society, with an address by Rev. Dr. G. L. Shearer, the secretary, of New York.

NOTABLE MINISTERS.

Among the notable ministers in attendance upon the General Assembly are Rev. Dr. H. C. DuBose, of Davidson, N. C. who is at home on a furlough from his missionary labors in China, Dr. DuBose has spent thirty years in that field and he

LIFE IN BON AIR

Demand for Building Sites and Increase

(Special to The Times-Disputch.)

BON AIR, VA., May 23 .- Mrs. Fannie Withers has purchased a lot adjoining the property of Mr. Jacob Bates, in Bon Air, and will begin the erection of a cottage to a short while There have been other inquiries for building sites, but no actual purchases yet awhile. Building lots have recently risen to double their former price, and the Bon Air Land Company doesn't seem at present very much disposed to sell at any price.

Nearly all the water in this part of Chesterfield is mineral, of some sort.
With these natural advantages it is probable that real estate will some day rise in value with that in the western suburbs of Richmond.

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Among the guests recently arrived are Mrs. Treadwell and her two children, with Miss Treadwell, her sister-in-law, of Arcadia, Fla. They are stopping at the Le Noel Hotel. Also at same hotel are registered Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nelson, of Richmond.

Mr. Tucker Carrington is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Cushman.

Miss Penelope Osterhout, of Ridgeway, Pa., is visiting Mrs. J. A. H. Prindle, at Elm Grove farm.

Messrs. Alfred Moore and Tom Dunn have gone to Dallas, Ga., to engage in business.

Miss Balsora Hall.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WINCHESTER, VA., May 23.—Miss
Balsora Hall, a native of Culpeper county, died suddenly of neuralgia. of the heart to-day at the home of her sister, Mrs. Wren Trammel; aged forty-seven

years,
Miss Hall was found in a dying condi-

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Passenger and Power Co. Cannot Pay Employes More

TALK OF STRIKE IS IDLE

Men Eqpect Nothing of the Kind-Differences, Says President Griggs, Will Be Amicably Settled-Their Request ; the Co.'s Refusal.

The Virginia Passenger and Power Company, and its motormen and conducbrought face to face by a most interesting proposition from the employes to the company and the latter's firm refusal

The Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Employes of Ameria, Division No. 152, of Richmond, and Division No. 152, of Richmond, and Division branch No. 152, of Petersburg, embracing all the motormen and conductors of Richmond and Petersburg, have suggested to the Passenger and Power Company a scheme for the settlement by arbitration of all questions arising between the two, and the closing section of the proposition embodies a request for an increase in the wages of the employee accounting to the course of ployes, amounting in the course of a year, according to General Manager Huff, of the Passenger and Power Company, to

The refusal of the company to accede to these requests had the result to start a report that a strike of the employes would be ordered by June 1st. This is vigorously denied. Mr. Wilbur Griggs, would be ordered by June 1st. This is vigorously denied. Mr. Wilbur Griggs, president of the Amalgamted seociation of Street Railway Employes, and chairman of the Executive Committee, which waited upon General Manager Huff, stated emphatically last night that the rumor was without foundation. In addition, he expressed strong hopes that the differences will be adjusted to the satisfaction of all interested.

COMMITTEE TO MEET.

President Griggs says there will be a special meeting of the Executive Board to-morrow morning at Smith's Hall, on Pifth Street, when the communication from General Manager Huff will be considered carefully in all its phases. Pawas unable to discuss the naswer ast night, having not sufficiently familiarized himself with the details of the paper. However, little is expected to come of the meeting of the Executive Board, inasmuch as their actions must be approved by the international secretary at Detroit, and it will require some time for him to go over the papers.

Many of the employes we've seen inet night, and not one of them had given a thought to striking for higher wags. They were perfectly willing to leave the matter in the hands of their Executive Board and its decision will practically be final.

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At present it looks very much as if the employes will endeavor to have the questions involved in the controversy referred to a board of arbitration, their decision to be binding.

The letter from General Manager Huff to the Executive Committee is quite lengthy. It sets forth many good reasons, from the point of view of the company, why the requests made by the employes cannot be granted.

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The following paper sets forth what the men asked of the company:

Memorandum of agreement entered into this day of May, 1903, between the Virginia Passenger and Power Company, party of the first part, and the Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Employes of America, Division No. 152, of Petersburg, Va., parties of the second part;

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paid respectively in accordance with scale of wages hereinafter mentioned.

5th. All motormen in the employment of Virginia Passenger and Power Company, their successors and assigns of Richmond, Manchester and interurban lines, including Richmond and Petersburg Line Railroad, shall receive twenty-two (22) cents per hour, and conductors of said lines shall receive twenty-one (21) cents per nour, and motormen of Petersburg Division, No. 4, shall receive eighteen cents per hour, and conductors of said division shall receive seventeen (17) cents per hour, and conductors of said division shall receive seventeen (17) cents per hour.

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Excels all others in the sales of musical instruments. FAMOUS PIANOS attract buyers from every section; together with up-to-date business methods, keeps every one connected with this large establishment hustling to fill the daily orders for the celebrated

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of every make, sold for cash or easy payments. DON'T FAIL TO SEE THE MANY BARGAINS WE OFFER THIS WEEK.

THE CABLE COMPAN

J. G. CORLEY, Manager.

though the combined operation of the properties had effected a substantial saving, still the ratio of operating expenses to receipts was abnormally high, and that the company of the same expense in the report of other expenses, and which was most out of proportion to the same expense in the report of other properties was the amount paid our motorism and conductors, it being 31 per cent, of the total receipts from railway operation and it per cent, of the total operating expenses. If the officers of the company had gone at the readjusting of expenses in the most natural way, this item of motorman and conductor wages would have one in for reduction, but, as this rate of wages had been lixed by a Board of Aristration, the company did not feel that it could make a reduction in these wages and keep good faith with its employes. Commencing To-morrow Night MAY 25

MATINEES WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY.

IN THE FULL FLUSH OF A TRIUMPHANTLY INAUGURATED SEASON

EDWIN MILTON ROYLE'S BEAUTIFUL PLAY.

Balcony - - - - - - - - 25c and 50c.

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A RE your dollars worth saving? If so come to the E. T. Faulkner Company Store Monday and all during next week. Only those who have tested the sweets in trading at our store can realize what the word saving implies. During the period of high temperature our store is cooled by refreshing prices.

A MONDAY BARGAIN.

Bates Gingham, in good colorings, stripes narrow, medium and wide; the best Gingham made at 124c; 81/2c our Monday price is........

WASH GOODS.

Cut Prices.

MEN'S UNDERWEAR. A Bargain.

Another Special Item. For Monday Only.

Fine Lawns, 40 inches wide, in light and navy grounds, that are worth 10c., but our price for Mon- 534c

 $\begin{array}{c} {\rm Men's~Shirts~and~Drawers,~all~sizes;} \\ {\rm a~good~25c.~number;~special~for~} \\ {\rm Monday~at......} \end{array}$

BLACK THIN GOODS. Special Values.

WHITE GOODS.

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A fine Lawn, 40 inches wide, 5°C sheer quality, at.

Soft Madras, 32 inches wide, narrow and medium stripes; was 1°c., 1°C

LINEN ITEMS.

A Fringed Towel, red border, buck, a large Towel, for..... 5c Black India Linen, fast black, 10c Hack India Linen, fast black, 10c fine quality, for.

Black Organdy, sheer and 121/cc Black Nainsook, soft finish; a great bargain at. 121/cc Black Organdy, 2 yards wide, 25c fast black, for.

Morcerized Madras, in large 19c

. A Shirt-Walst Linen, 30 inches wide, all pure linen; a 33c, item, 25c

A large Towel, extra heavy, 10c hemmed, special value at.....

A Slurt-Waist Linen, soft finish, an inches wide; icc. value, 39c

A Linen Sheeting, heavy round thread, extra value, at........ 75c

LADIES' SHIRT-LADIES' SHIRT WAIST SUITS.

Ladies' Percale Shirt-Walst Suits in dainty figured patterns; walsts made with large ticks, five gored flare skirt, also belt and coller; extra good value for \$1.5; Monday spevalue for \$1.5; Monday spe 98c cial at.
Ladies' Percais Shirt-Waist Sults; waist tucked and stitched to form yoke, full flare skirt, with turked seams; a belt and tunorer collar of \$1.98 same, for.
Ladies' Madras Shirt-Waist Suits, in white and black; tucked waist and skirt; very dainty Suit, \$2.19

WAISTS.

Ladles' Batiste Shirt Walsts, in all white and in white and black, strenged with inserting and broad tucks, 75c

ladies' Very Fine Lawn Shirt Walst, front of hemstitched tuck, new full sleeve, and turnover collar; others tucked and stripped with in OSC serting, for.

Ladies' Lawn Shirt Walsis with tucked and embroldered front, tucked cuffs and tie; a good walst for CA 48 \$2.48; Monday our price.....

LADIES' AND MISSES' KNIT UNDERWEAR.

Misses' Lace Vests with tape in neck and sleeves, all sizes; Monday 5c special at..... 5c Ladies' Gauze Vests, large and small ribbed, good value for... 10c

Ladies' Gauze Vests, large and small ribbed, some wing steeves, 121/2c others lace trimmed, for... 121/2c

Matinees - - - - - - - 25c and 50c.

Special Engagement

The Confederate Museum,

TWELFTH AND CLAY STREETS. Opens daily from 9 A. M. to 5 P. M. Admission, 25 cents. Free on Saturdays

SPECIAL RATES TO ATLANTA Via the Seaboard Air Line Rallway. On account of the National Convention

B. Y. P. U. of America, to be held in Atlanta, Ga., July 9th-12th, 1903, the Sea-

board will sell round trip tickets from all

points on its lines at a rate of one fare for the round trip, plus twenty-five cents,

Tickets will be placed on sale July 7th,

Sth, 9th and 10th, and limited to return July 15th, 1903. Tickets may be extended

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, By William Gillette.

Board of Arbitration; it would simply mean to take matters our of his hands, and his usefulness would be at an end. It is well understood among our men that the management is always ready to hear and act upon any complaint that any employe may have to make. The men have so often in the past availed themselves of this right with, apparently, such entire satisfaction, that it is hard to believe that there is a man in the employ 5f the company who is afraid of being unfairly dealt with. The company must assume financial responsibility for its operation, and hence it cannot place this operation in the hands of others who assume no responsibility for the result of such operation.

As to the provision requiring a ninehour day. The company has no objection to a 3-hour day, provided the men want it. By a vote of the men a nine-hour day now prevails on all lines except in the city of Petersburg, and it is not be lieved that the present scale of wages in Petersburg (which is all the company can afford to pay) would enable the men to live properly on nine hours' work.

With regard to providing free transportation, at all times and over all lines of the company proposes to provide the motormen and conductors of the city lines with an extra hadge, which will enable them to ride on the city lines when off duty. These badges have been received, and it is expected to issue them shortly, it is not intended, however, to make these badges of motormen and conductors of the Petersburg, Manchester and Richmond lines good on the Richmond and Petersburg or interphan road. To allow about a thousand employes, divided between the two ends of a twenty-three-mile pleasure line operating ordinarily only an hour schedule, free use of that line would mean to loud the line up with employes, particularly at the periods when the pay travel is most inclined to ride. As to litteen days' notice of changes that will involve extra expense, it is not believed that our employes have any ground for complaint on account of the issuing of orders in such a way as to work hardship upon them. In fact, in the iesuing of orders involving the purchase of clothing and change of equipment, the men have usually been consulted as to the time required to provide themselves with such equipment without working hardship.